

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, January 25, 1901.
Hon. J. N. Browning, President of the Senate.

SIR: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared

Senate substitute bill No. 28, being a bill to be entitled "An Act regulating quarantine against dangerous, contagious and infectious diseases,"

And find the same correctly engrossed.
STAPLES, Acting Chairman.

SENATE RULE SUSPENDED—HOUSE BILL NO. 153.

Senator Dibrell moved that the Senate rule requiring committee reports to lay on the table for one day be suspended for the purpose of considering House bill No. 153 (see committee report or House message above for caption).

Rule was suspended.

On motion of Senator Dibrell, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and House bill No. 153 was placed before the Senate, on its second reading, by the following vote:

Yeas—26.

Davidson of	Patterson.
DeWitt.	Paulus.
Davidson of	Potter.
Galveston.	Savage.
Dibrell.	Sebastian.
Goss.	Stafford.
Grinnan.	Staples.
Harris of Bexar.	Swann.
Harris of Hunt.	Turner.
Johnson.	Turney.
Lipscomb.	Wayland.
Lloyd.	Wheeler.
McGee.	Wilson.
Odell.	Yett.

Absent.

Hanger. Miller.

Absent—Excused.

Neal. Beaty.
James.

Bill read second time, and passed to a third reading.

On motion of Senator Dibrell, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was further suspended and the bill put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

Yeas—25.

Davidson of	Dibrell.
DeWitt.	Grinnan.
Davidson of	Harris of Bexar.
Galveston.	Harris of Hunt.

Johnson.	Stafford.
Lipscomb.	Staples.
Lloyd.	Swann.
McGee.	Turner.
Odell.	Turney.
Patterson.	Wayland.
Paulus.	Wheeler.
Potter.	Wilson.
Savage.	Yett.
Sebastian.	

Absent.

Goss. Miller.
Hanger.

Absent—Excused.

Beaty. Neal.
James.

Bill was read third time, and passed by the following vote:

Yeas—26.

Davidson of	Patterson.
DeWitt.	Paulus.
Davidson of	Potter.
Galveston.	Savage.
Dibrell.	Sebastian.
Goss.	Stafford.
Grinnan.	Staples.
Harris of Bexar.	Turner.
Harris of Hunt.	Turney.
Johnson.	Swann.
Lipscomb.	Wayland.
Lloyd.	Wheeler.
McGee.	Wilson.
Odell.	Yett.

Absent.

Hanger. Miller.

Absent—Excused.

Beaty. Neal.
James.

Senator Dibrell moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed and lay that motion on the table.

Motion to table prevailed.

On motion of Senator McGee, the Senate, at 12:45 o'clock p. m., adjourned until 10 o'clock a. m. tomorrow.

FIFTEENTH DAY.

Senate Chamber,
Austin, Tex, Wednesday, Jan. 30, 1901.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.
Lieutenant-Governor Browning in the chair.

Roll called. Quorum present, the following Senators answering to their names:

Present—28.

Beaty.	Davidson of
Davidson of	Galveston.
DeWitt.	Dibrell.

Goss.	Paulus.
Grinnan.	Potter.
Hanger.	Savage.
Harris of Bexar.	Sebastian.
Harris of Hunt.	Stafford.
Johnson.	Staples.
Lipscomb.	Swann.
Lloyd.	Turney.
McGee.	Wayland.
Neal.	Wheeler.
Odell.	Wilson.
Patterson.	Yett.

Absent—2.

Miller.	Turner.
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Absent—Excused.

James.

Prayer by the Chaplain, Rev. I. S. Davenport.

Pending the reading of the Journal of yesterday,

On motion of Senator Johnson, the same was dispensed with.

EXCUSED.

On motion of Senator Johnson, Senator Hanger was excused for non-attendance upon the Senate yesterday on account of sickness.

COMMITTEE REPORTS.

The following committee reports were made to the Senate:

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, January 29, 1901.

Hon. J. N. Browning, President of the Senate.

SIR: Your Committee on Labor, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 77, being a bill to be entitled "An Act providing for the protection of laboring men, and prescribing a penalty for a breach thereof,"

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it *do* pass with the following amendment:

"Amend Section 3 to read as follows:
"Sec. 3. Any person or corporation violating any of the provisions of Section 1 shall upon conviction be punished by a fine not less than one thousand dollars or imprisonment in the penitentiary for any term not less than two and not more than five years."

STAPLES, Acting Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, January 29, 1901.

Hon. J. N. Browning, President of the Senate.

SIR: Your Committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 94, being a bill to be entitled "An Act to regulate and define the fees of the district courts of the State of Texas, in civil cases, and fix the fees for transferring misdemeanor indictments to inferior courts,"

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it *do* pass.

ODELL, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, January 29, 1901.

Hon. J. N. Browning, President of the Senate.

SIR: Your Committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred

House Concurrent Resolution No. 2, Providing for appointment of a committee to investigate and report the condition of storm sufferers in the county of Galveston and other counties,

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it *do* pass with the following amendment added as Section 5:

"Nothing in this resolution shall be construed as committing the Legislature to either the policy or principle of granting aid to the persons named therein out of the State revenues, but as an aid to the Legislature in determining the whole question in the light of the facts as they exist."

ODELL, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, January 29, 1901.

Hon. J. N. Browning, President of the Senate.

SIR: Your Committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred

House bill No. 4, being a bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 153 of the General Laws of the State of Texas, passed at the Regular Session of the Twenty-fifth Legislature, and amended at the Regular Session of the Twenty-sixth Legislature, entitled 'An Act to prohibit the taking of fish from the fresh waters and streams of this State otherwise than by means of the ordinary hook and line and trot line, and to prohibit the sale or shipping of game fish in this State, and to provide penalties for the violation thereof,' by exempting the county of Cherokee and other counties from the provisions of this act,"

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it *do* pass with the following amendment:

"Amend Section 1, line 28, by insert-

ing after the word 'dynamite' the following: 'Or by means of nets or lines or by ditching, draining or muddying in any lake, pond or pool without the consent of the owner of said lakes, ponds or pools.'"

ODELL, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, January 29, 1901.

Hon. J. N. Browning, President of the Senate.

SIR: Your Committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred

Memorial from the grand jurors of Limestone county, asking for the passage of House bill No. 11, making it an offense to wager anything of value on a game played with cards in any place whatsoever, and asking also that the penal law be so amended as to make it an offense to bet on any game played with dice at any place and under any circumstances,

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it be recommitted and referred to Judiciary Committee No. 2.

ODELL, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, January 29, 1901.

Hon. J. N. Browning, President of the Senate.

SIR: Your Committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 118, being a bill to be entitled "An Act to authorize the sale and release of all the interest which the State of Texas, or the Confederate Home situated in the city of Austin, or either of them, acquired under the last will of J. E. Allen, deceased, late of Hunt county, Texas, to certain lands situated in said county, Texas,"

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it *do pass*.

ODELL, Chairman.

BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS.

By Senator Harris of Bexar:

Senate bill No. 126, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 1443, of Chapter 20, of Title XXX, of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1895 of the State of Texas, so as to relieve boards of school trustees of the public school districts of this State, as well as executors, administrators and guardians appointed by the courts of this State, for the requirement of giving security for costs and appeal and writ for error in suits and legal pro-

ceedings to which they may be parties in their fiduciary character; and declaring an emergency."

Read first time, and referred to Judiciary Committee No. 1.

By Senator Johnson:

Senate bill No. 127, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 3294, Chapter 2, Title LXVI, of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1895, relating to the lien of mechanics, contractors, builders and material men, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time, and referred to Judiciary Committee No. 1.

By Senator Lipscomb:

Senate bill No. 128, A bill to be entitled "An Act to extend relief to Fort Bend county, and to authorize said county to have certain bonds heretofore issued by it canceled and annulled, and providing service by publication to the holders thereof, where their names or residence is unknown."

Read first time, and referred to Judiciary Committee No. 2.

By Senator Wayland:

Senate bill No. 129, A bill to be entitled "An Act to appropriate forty thousand dollars for the purpose of building a girls' dormitory at the A. and M. College."

Read first time, and referred to Committee on Finance.

By Senator Davidson of DeWitt:

Senate bill No. 130, A bill to be entitled "An Act to recognize the right of and permit married women, either separately or in connection with any other person, to act as executrix, or independent executrix, or trustee, or donee of any lawful powers under any valid last will and testament, or as administratrix, and to act as such without the consent, joinder or assistance of their husbands, and to make valid and to admit to record under her acknowledgment in form as though she were a single woman, such instruments so executed by her in such fiduciary characters as the law authorizes or requires to be recorded."

Read first time, and referred to Judiciary Committee No. 1.

By Senator McGee:

Senate bill No. 131, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Articles 411a and 411b, of Chapter 6a, Title XI, of the Penal Code, relating to violations of the law regulating the sale of intoxicating liquors."

Read first time, and referred to Judiciary Committee No. 2.

By Senator Stafford:

Senate bill No. 132, A bill to be entitled

"An Act to confer authority on the Governor to issue paroles to meritorious convicts, and to make and establish rules to carry the same into effect."

Read first time, and referred to Committee on Penitentiaries.

The Chair declared the morning call concluded.

SENATE BILL CALLED UP—SENATE BILL NO. 70.

Senator Potter called up from the table, on engrossment,

Senate bill No. 70, A bill to be entitled "An Act to validate the titles to certain lands located and patented in Carson, Dallam and Hutchinson counties, since July 14, 1879,"

Action being on committee amendment (adding emergency clause).

The same was read, and adopted.

Senator Potter offered the following amendment:

"Amend by adding at the end of Section 1 the following: 'Provided, that no location or patent to land in Carson county shall be validated by this act where the location was made subsequent to the 10th day of June, 1881.'"

The amendment was read, and adopted.

FIRST HOUSE MESSAGE.

Hall of the House of Representatives,
Austin, Texas, January 30, 1901.

Hon. J. N. Browning, President of the Senate.

SIR: I am directed by the House to inform the Senate that the House has passed the following House concurrent resolutions:

House Concurrent Resolution No. 8, Thanking the Red Cross Society and Miss Clara Barton for their relief to the sufferers on the Texas coast in consequence of the storm of September 8, 1900.

Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

(1) In behalf of the people of Texas, the Legislature extends to the American Red Cross Society its most grateful acknowledgment for the relief extended through the society to the sufferers in Texas by the storm of September 8, 1900, and especially does the Legislature thank Miss Clara Barton, the president of the society, for her visit to the State and her personal supervision and direction of relief to those who were in need and distress.

(2) That the Governor be and he is hereby requested to transmit a copy of this resolution to Miss Clara Barton.

Also House Concurrent Resolution No.

7, Thanking the Congress of the Republic of Mexico for its donation for the relief of the sufferers on the Texas coast in consequence of the storm of September 8, 1900.

Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

(1) That the action of the Congress of the Republic of Mexico in appropriating the sum of thirty thousand dollars from the public funds for the relief of the sufferers on the Texas coast in consequence of the storm of September 8, 1900, is fully appreciated, and will be gratefully remembered by the people of Texas.

(2) That the Legislature of the State of Texas extends to the President and the Congress of the Republic of Mexico its sincere thanks for this most generous and fraternal action, and in return it expresses a hope that prosperity may continue to the Republic and happiness gladden the hearts of its people through all the years to come.

(3) That the Governor be and he is hereby requested to transmit a copy of these resolutions to the President of the Mexican Republic.

Also House Concurrent Resolution No. 9, Thanking all those who contributed to the relief of the sufferers on the Texas coast in consequence of the storm of September 8, 1900.

Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

(1) That the Legislature of Texas tenders its sincere thanks and most profound acknowledgments to every one, wherever residing, who contributed to the relief of those who suffered in the storm that visited the Texas coast on September 8, 1900.

(2) That such generous action will be forever borne in grateful remembrance by the people of Texas.

(3) That the press everywhere is requested to publish this resolution.

Respectfully,

LEE J. ROUNTREE,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

PRIVILEGED RESOLUTION.

By unanimous consent, Senator Johnson offered the following privileged resolution:

Whereas, The Hon. R. Q. Mills, a distinguished citizen and ex-United States Senator from Texas, is a visitor to the capitol: therefore be it

Resolved, That he be invited to the courtesies within the bar of the Senate.

Resolution was read second time, and adopted.

HOUSE BILL SIGNED—HOUSE BILL
NO. 153.

The Chair gave notice of signing, and did sign, in the presence of the Senate, after its caption had been read,

House bill No. 153, "An Act to extend the time of the payment of the State and county taxes for the year 1900 in the counties of Brazos, Galveston, Grimes, Matagorda, Fort Bend, Harris, Waller, Austin, Wharton, Jackson, Chambers, Brazoria, Burleson, Robertson, Montgomery and Washington for ninety days from and after the first day of February, 1900."

PENDING BUSINESS—SENATE BILL
NO. 70.

(Senator Turney in the chair.)

Action recurring on engrossment of Senate bill No. 70 (see caption above), Senator Savage moved that further consideration of the same be postponed until next Tuesday, February 5, 1901, for the hour of 11 o'clock a. m.

(Lieutenant-Governor Browning in the chair.)

SPECIAL ORDER—EXECUTIVE
SESSION.

The Chair announced the hour of 11 o'clock a. m., the time for the Senate to consider appointments of his Excellency, the Governor, sent to the Senate on yesterday (see Journal of January 29th for appointments and motion designating hour).

AFTER EXECUTIVE SESSION.

In executive session the following confirmations were had:

The Board of Managers of the State Lunatic Asylum—David Harrell, G. W. MacDonald, A. W. Carpenter, R. T. Hill, Samuel E. Hudson, all of Travis county.

The Board of Managers of the Southwest Texas Lunatic Asylum—Edwin Chamberlain, Homer Eads, T. D. Cobbs, T. L. Conroy, Selig Deutschman, all of Bexar county.

The Board of Managers of the North Texas Lunatic Asylum—John L. Terrell, J. F. Grinnan, B. L. Gill, M. G. Goss, W. A. Brooks, all of Kaufman county.

The Board of Trustees of the Deaf and Dumb Asylum—H. P. Hilliard, J. P. Lockridge, J. A. French, John E. Shelton, Joe Koen, all of Travis county.

The Board of Trustees of the Deaf, Dumb and Blind Asylum for Colored Youths—J. W. Hill, W. A. Boswell, J. W. Brady, Bouldin Rector, W. H. Thaxton, all of Travis county.

The Board of Trustees of the Texas Confederate Home—E. P. Raynolds, of Hays county; A. W. McIver, of Burleson county; J. B. Rogers, of Travis county; D. S. Chesser, of Williamson county; W. T. Wroe, of Travis county.

PENDING BUSINESS—SENATE BILL
NO. 70.

After executive session the Senate resumed consideration of Senate bill No. 70 (see caption above), question being on the motion of Senator Savage to postpone further consideration of the same until Tuesday, February 5th, at 11 o'clock a. m.

Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas—15.

Beaty.	Patterson.
Davidson of	Paulus.
DeWitt.	Savage.
Goss.	Sebastian.
Grinnan.	Stafford.
Johnson.	Wheeler.
Lloyd.	Wilson.
Neal.	Yett.

Nays—13.

Davidson of	McGee.
Galveston.	Odell.
Dibrell.	Fotter.
Hanger.	Staples.
Harris of Bexar.	Swann.
Harris of Hunt.	Turney.
Lipscomb.	Wayland.

Absent.

Miller. Turner.

Absent—Excused.

James.

SECOND HOUSE MESSAGE.

Hall of the House of Representatives,
Austin, Texas, January 30, 1901.

Hon. J. N. Browning, President of the Senate.

SIR: I am directed by the House to inform the Senate that the House has passed the following House concurrent resolution:

House Concurrent Resolution No. 3, Relating to the printing of the Rules of the House of Representatives, the Rules of the Senate, and the joint rules of the House and Senate of the Twenty-seventh Legislature.

Respectfully,

LEE J. ROUNTREE,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

REGULAR ORDER—HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 7.

The Chair then laid before the Senate, on its adoption, the regular order of business,

House Concurrent Resolution No. 7, Returning thanks to the Republic of Mexico for financial assistance sent to the coast country storm sufferers (see first House message of today).

(Senator Lloyd in the chair.)

Resolution was read second time, and adopted.

SENATE BILL ON THIRD READING—SENATE BILL NO. 35.

On motion of Senator Paulus the regular order of business was suspended and the Senate took up out of its order

Senate bill No. 35, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Subdivision 23, Article 1194, Chapter 4, Title XXX, and Article 1484, Chapter 21, Title XXX, of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, so as to fix the venue of suits against railroad corporations or any assignee, trustee or receiver, operating their railroads in the county in which the cause of action against them or a part thereof arises."

The Chair then laid the bill before the Senate, on its third reading.

Bill was read third time, and

Senator Wheeler offered the following amendment:

"Amend by striking out in line 26 of the engrossed bill the word 'resides' and insert in lieu thereof the words 'resided at the time of the injury.'"

Amendment was read, and adopted.

Bill was then passed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS.

By unanimous consent the following committee reports were made to the Senate:

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, January 29, 1901.

Hon. J. N. Browning, President of the Senate.

SIR: Your Committee on Mining and Irrigation, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 71, being a bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Articles 3481 and 3498, of Title LXXI, of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, relating to mines and mining,"

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

GRINNAN, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, January 29, 1901.

Hon. J. N. Browning, President of the Senate.

SIR: Your Committee on Mining and Irrigation, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 72, being a bill to be entitled "An Act to provide for a mineral survey of the State of Texas,"

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that the committee substitute bill do pass.

GRINNAN, Chairman.

A BILL

TO BE ENTITLED

An Act to provide for the mineral survey of the State of Texas, and to make an appropriation therefor.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

Section 1. The Board of Regents of the University of the State of Texas are authorized and directed, as soon as practicable, to have made a mineral survey of the State.

Sec. 2. Said board is authorized to employ for that purpose persons skilled in the science of mineralogy, geology and chemistry, who shall conduct said survey under the directions of the board.

Sec. 3. Said board shall publish annually for free distribution among the people of the State all practicable information collected in the prosecution of said survey as the same progresses.

Sec. 4. In connection with the work of said survey provision shall be made for assays, analyses and other scientific examinations of specimens of mineral substances found in the State, and for the collection and distribution of statistics relating to the mineral productions of the State, assays, analyses and examinations shall be made at the request of any citizen of the State, and a certificate thereof given, and a uniform and reasonable charge shall be fixed by said board for such assays and analyses. It is specifically provided, however, that assays and analyses of mineral specimens found upon any of the public lands of the State shall be made free of charge when requested by the Governor or by the Commissioner of the General Land Office.

Sec. 5. In connection with said survey said board shall make provision for instruction in the University of Texas in practical economic and field geology and mineralogy.

Sec. 6. The geological and scientific equipment, collections, specimens and

publications now in charge of the Commissioner of Agriculture, Insurance, Statistics and History are hereby transferred to said board, and their removal to the University of Texas is hereby authorized.

Sec. 7. For the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this act the sum of ten thousand dollars per annum for two years, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated.

Sec. 8. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

Sec. 9. Whereas, there is now no provision for a mineral survey of the public land of the State, and as a result the mineral value of such land is not known, and said lands are being sold without regard to the mineral value, whereby great loss is resulting to the public free school, Asylum and University funds of the State; and, whereas, there is now no provision for the collection and preservation of authentic data concerning the mineral resources of the State; and, whereas, no provision exists whereby reliable official assays, analyses and examinations may be obtained by citizens of Texas, whereby great loss is suffered by the people of the State; therefore, it is declared that an emergency is created and an imperative public necessity exists for the immediate passage of this act, and the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be and is hereby suspended, and that this act take effect and be enforced from and after its passage, and it is so enacted.

REGULAR ORDER—HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3.

The Chair then laid before the Senate, on its second reading, the regular order of business,

House Concurrent Resolution No. 3, Providing for the printing of the rules of the House of Representatives and of the Senate, and the joint rules of the House and Senate,

Reported today (see second House message above),

Resolution was read second time, and adopted.

SENATE BILL CALLED UP—SENATE BILL NO. 32.

Senator Harris of Hunt called up from the table, on its second reading,

Senate bill No. 32, A bill to be entitled "An Act to prohibit the use of money or other thing in a primary election; to prohibit the hiring or employment, either directly or indirectly, of any person to work or electioneer in the interest

of any candidate seeking a nomination to any office at any primary election held by authority of any political party; to require each candidate seeking such a nomination to file with the county clerk of the county in which he resides a complete and accurate statement, under oath, showing each and every item of expense incurred by him in connection with his candidacy; to define a primary election, and for other purposes."

Bill was read second time, and

Senator Harris of Hunt offered the following amendment:

"Amend by adding after the caption, in lieu of Sections 1 and 2 of the bill:

"Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

"Section 1. If any person shall give, or offer to give, directly or indirectly, any money or other things of value whatever, to any other person, organization or association of persons of any name or character whatsoever, in such manner as the same does not come within the meaning of bribery as now defined by law, for the purpose of inducing the vote, aid, assistance, labor or influence of any such person, organization or association, either directly or indirectly, for or against any question, issue or person or candidate for any office, or for nomination to any office in this State of whatsoever name or character, and if such money, or other thing of value be received or accepted by such other person, organization or association, both the persons so paying or offering to pay such money or other valuable thing, and those receiving the same, shall be deemed guilty of an offense, and upon conviction shall be punished by imprisonment in the penitentiary for any time not to exceed five years or by fine not less than two hundred dollars; provided, that this section shall apply to all public elections in this State, regardless of the questions to be voted on in the same, whether municipal, State, district or county, and shall apply to a primary election or convention for nomination to office as well as to any final election. But this act shall not be construed as repealing any law of this State on the subject of bribery, but shall be construed as supplemental thereto.

"Sec. 2. If any person shall furnish money, or other valuable thing of whatsoever nature or value, either directly or indirectly, to any other person, organization or association of persons to be used either directly or indirectly, for the purpose of promoting the success or defeat of any question, issue or candidate to be voted upon at any such election, whether the same is a general, special, primary

or final election, shall be deemed guilty of an offense, and shall, upon conviction, be fined in any sum not less than one hundred nor more than one thousand dollars; provided, this act shall not apply to the payment to or by an executive or campaign committee of a political party in this State in aid of the ticket."

Amendment was read, and adopted.

Senator Harris of Hunt offered the following amendment:

"Amend Section 3, line 7, by adding after the word 'office,' and of such other items of expense incurred in the interest of his candidacy within his knowledge by any one, else."

Amendment was read, and adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—21.

Beaty.	McGee.
Davidson of	Odell.
DeWitt.	Patterson.
Davidson of	Paulus.
Galveston.	Potter.
Dibrell.	Sebastian.
Goss.	Staples.
Grinnan.	Swann.
Hanger.	Wheeler.
Harris of Bexar.	Wilson.
Harris of Hunt.	Yett.
Johnson.	

Nays—4.

Lipscomb.	Neal.
Lloyd.	Stafford.

Absent.

Miller.	Turney.
Savage.	Wayland.
Turner.	

Absent—Excused.

James.

Senator Harris of Hunt offered the following amendment:

"Amend caption by striking out all after the word 'entitled,' and add the following: 'An Act to prohibit the giving, offering or receiving by any person, organization or association, of any money or other thing of value for the purpose of influencing votes in any primary or general election, and providing penalty therefor; to require each candidate seeking a nomination at any primary election to file with the county clerk of the county in which resides a complete and accurate statement, under oath, showing each and every item of expense incurred by him in connection with his candidacy; to provide penalty for failure to file such statement; to define a primary election, and for other purposes.'"

Amendment was read, and adopted.

Senator Harris of Hunt offered the following amendment:

"Amend bill by adding Section 6, as follows:

"Section 6. The fact that there is now no adequate law in this State prohibiting the improper use of money in primary or general elections, and providing for the filing of a sworn statement of expenses incurred by candidates at such primary elections, creates an emergency and an imperative public necessity that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended, and the same is, therefore, hereby suspended, and this act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage, and it is so enacted."

Amendment was read, and adopted.

(Lieutenant-Governor Browning in the chair.)

Senator Potter offered the following amendment:

"Amend Section 4 by striking out the word 'deliberately,' in line 16 of the printed bill, Section 4, page 2."

Amendment was read, and adopted.

Senator Hanger offered the following amendment:

"Amend by striking out all of the words beginning in line 11, page 2, with the word 'misdemeanor,' and all words thereafter, including the word 'months,' in line 15, and inserting in lieu thereof the words, felony, and on conviction thereof shall be punished by confinement in the penitentiary for a term of not less than two years and not more than five years."

Amendment was read, and adopted.

Senator Dibrell offered the following amendment:

"Amend the bill by striking out Section 3 of the bill."

Amendment was read, and lost by the following vote:

Yeas—11.

Beaty.	Sebastian.
Dibrell.	Stafford.
Lipscomb.	Turney.
Lloyd.	Wayland.
Neal.	Wilson.
Patterson.	

Nays—16.

Davidson of	McGee.
DeWitt.	Odell.
Davidson of	Paulus.
Galveston.	Potter.
Goss.	Savage.
Grinnan.	Staples.
Hanger.	Swann.
Harris of Bexar.	Wheeler.
Harris of Hunt.	Yett.

Absent.

Miller. Turner.
Johnson.

Absent—Excused.

James.

Bill was then ordered engrossed by the following vote:

Yeas—22.

Beaty.	Odell.
Davidson of	Paulus.
DeWitt.	Potter.
Davidson of	Savage.
Galveston.	Sebastian.
Goss.	Stafford.
Grinnan.	Swann.
Hanger.	Turney.
Harris of Bexar.	Wayland.
Harris of Hunt.	Wheeler.
Johnson.	Wilson.
McGee.	Yett.

Nays—5.

Dibrell.	Neal.
Lipscomb.	Patterson.
Lloyd.	

Absent.

Miller. Turner.
Staples.

Absent—Excused.

James.

Senator Harris of Hunt moved that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended, and the bill put on its third reading and final passage

Motion to suspend rule was lost by the following vote:

(Requiring four-fifths vote.)

Yeas—22.

Beaty.	Paulus.
Davidson of	Potter.
DeWitt.	Savage.
Davidson of	Sebastian.
Galveston.	Stafford.
Grinnan.	Staples.
Hanger.	Swann.
Harris of Bexar.	Turney.
Harris of Hunt.	Wayland.
Johnson.	Wheeler.
McGee.	Wilson.
Odell.	Yett.

Nays—6.

Dibrell.	Lloyd.
Goss.	Neal.
Lipscomb.	Patterson.

Absent.

Miller. Turner.

Absent—Excused.

James.

COMMITTEE REPORTS.

By unanimous consent, the following committee reports were made to the Senate:

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, January 29, 1901.

Hon. J. N. Browning, President of the Senate.

SIR: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared

Senate bill No. 61, being a bill to be entitled "An Act to regulate primary elections and conventions; to prescribe the manner of holding the same, making returns, declaring the results, and for regulating illegal practices therein; and to prescribe the conditions of participating therein,"

And find the same correctly engrossed.
STAPLES, Acting Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, January 29, 1901.

Hon. J. N. Browning, President of the Senate.

SIR: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared

Senate bill No. 68, being a bill to be entitled "An Act authorizing the State Treasurer when money is remaining in the State treasury to the credit of any county, city or town after the obligations for which such money was placed in the treasury have fully been paid off to return such money to the county, city or town to which it belongs,"

And find the same correctly engrossed.
STAPLES, Acting Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, January 29, 1901.

Hon. J. N. Browning, President of the Senate.

SIR: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared

Senate bill No. 63, being a bill to be entitled "An Act to grant relief to certain teachers who taught during the school year of 1895-96, in Greer county, which was then considered a portion of the State of Texas, the said services of teachers terminating with the date of the decision of the Supreme Court transferring the county of Greer from the State of Texas and making it a part of the Territory of Oklahoma,"

And find the same correctly engrossed.
STAPLES, Acting Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, January 29, 1901.

Hon. J. N. Browning, President of the Senate.

SIR: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared

Senate bill No. 78, being a bill to be entitled "An Act to exempt school trustees and aldermen of certain cities from the penalties prescribed in an act entitled 'An Act to create a State Text-Book Board, and to procure for use in the public free schools of the State of Texas a series of uniform text-books; defining the duties of certain officers therein named with reference thereto; making appropriation therefor; defining certain misdemeanors; providing penalties for the violation of the provisions of this act, and declaring an emergency,' approved June 10, 1897,"

And find the same correctly engrossed.
STAPLES, Acting Chairman.

SENATE BILL ON THIRD READING— SENATE BILL NO. 44.

On motion of Senator Wheeler, the regular order of business was suspended and the Senate took up, out of its order,

Senate bill No. 44, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 1851, Chapter 2, Title XXXIX, of the Revised Statutes of the State of Texas, prescribing what papers shall be recorded in the probate minutes, and to repeal all laws and parts of laws in conflict therewith."

The Chair then laid the bill before the Senate, on its third reading.

Bill was read third time, and

Senator Beaty offered the following amendment:

"After Section 5, amend Section 6 by adding: 'Applications to sell real estate.'"

Amendment was read, and adopted.
Bill was then passed.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 2.

On motion of Senator Paulus, the regular order of business was suspended and the Senate took up, out of its order,

House Concurrent Resolution No. 2, Providing for the appointment of a committee to investigate the condition of storm sufferers of Galveston and other counties.

The Chair laid the resolution before the Senate, on its second reading.

Resolution was read second time, and committee amendment (see committee report—State Affairs—above) was adopted.

Senator Hanger offered the following amendment:

"Amend by striking out the word 'twenty-five,' in Section 4, and inserting in lieu thereof the word 'thirty.'"

Amendment was read, and adopted.

Senator Hanger offered the following amendment:

"Amend by adding at the end of the resolution: 'The expenses of said committees shall be paid out of the contingent fund of the House and Senate, respectively.'"

Amendment was read, and adopted.

The resolution as amended was adopted.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 8.

The Chair then laid before the Senate, on its second reading,

House Concurrent Resolution No. 8, Thanking the Red Cross Society and Miss Clara Barton for their relief to Texas coast storm sufferers (see first House message above).

Resolution was read second time, and adopted.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 9.

The Chair then laid before the Senate, on its second reading,

House Concurrent Resolution No. 9, Thanking all those who contributed to the relief of the Texas coast storm sufferers (see first House message above).

Resolution was read second time, and adopted.

On motion of Senator Davidson of DeWitt, the Senate, at 12:40 o'clock p. m., adjourned until 10 o'clock a. m. tomorrow.

SIXTEENTH DAY.

Senate Chamber,
Austin, Tex., Thursday, Jan. 31, 1901.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment. Lieutenant-Governor Browning in the chair.

Roll called. Quorum present, the following Senators answering to their names:

Present—29.

Beaty.	Harris of Hunt.
Davidson of	Johnson.
DeWitt.	Lipscomb.
Davidson of	Lloyd.
Galveston.	McGee.
Dibrell.	Miller.
Goss.	Neal.
Grinnan.	Odell.
Hanger.	Patterson.
Harris of Bexar.	Paulus.